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HOUSE BILL 811

48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO WATER; PROVIDING THAT REDUCTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF WATER LOST IN THE CARRIAGE OR APPLICATION OF WATER WILL NOT REDUCE THE ALLOWABLE DIVERSION OF WATER.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 73-1-27 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1971, Chapter 53, Section 1) is amended to read:

"73-1-27. CARRIAGE LOSS ALLOWANCE ESTABLISHED.--In addition to the duty of water for irrigation within any artesian conservancy district established under the provisions of Sections [~~75-13-1 through 75-13-24 NMSA 1953~~] 73-1-1 through 73-1-26 NMSA 1978, there shall be, as a matter of right, an additional two acre-inches of water per year per acre-foot of an established water right to compensate for carriage loss between the point of appropriation and the point of beneficial

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1 use. A subsequent improvement in the efficiency of the
2 carriage or application of water shall not operate to cause a
3 reduction in the allowable diversion of water."

4 Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
5 provisions of this act is July 1, 2007.

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